

## COURAGEOUS JOHN SHY.

THE STORY OF HIS LONG FIGHT WITH INDIANS.

Alone He Stood Off Seventeen Bloodthirsty Apaches With His Rifle All One Afternoon. Bullets Flew at a Great Rate.

He was standing on the station platform at Las Vegas, waiting to take the southbound train—a quiet, business like man, evidently a ranchman or hunter, writes the Las Vegas (N. M.) correspondent of the New York Sun. A resident of the town called the attention of a tourist to him, and said of him: "That's John Shy, manager of a big cattle company. Talk about your long hair and Indian fighting, that's him. That man, single handed, fought and stood off seventeen Apaches all one afternoon. It was ten years ago, when Chief Geronimo was at the warpath and was making things warm for ranchmen and prospectors in Southern New Mexico and Arizona. John Shy at that time, the same as now, was the manager of the cattle company, whose range lies about the Florida mountains, twenty miles from Deming. With his wife and little son he resided upon the ranch in a neat frame house. In a cottage close by lived Mr. and Mrs. Yeager, his neighbor. Yeager was one of the owners of the cattle outfit. Everything had gone on prosperously and pleasantly until a few weeks back, when a party of Apaches had been seen, and all promised well for the future.

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## INTENT ON SUICIDE.

Extraordinary Reasons Some Folks Have Had for Self-Destruction.

From Cassell's Saturday Magazine.

People determined to kill themselves have never been at a loss to find the way. Shooting, hanging, and taking poison are about the simplest. A man killed himself by setting down with a glass of whisky pointed to his heart, and fired it by applying a red-hot poker to the primer. Another rammed his head into the red-hot coils of an oven, which roasted it clean off. A woman drenched herself with kerosene oil, and setting fire to it, was quickly burned to ashes. A man who drowned himself was so determined to sink that he fastened a life-buoy to his feet, and so kept his head down, and when Chief Geronimo was at the warpath and was making things warm for ranchmen and prospectors in Southern New Mexico and Arizona. John Shy at that time, the same as now, was the manager of the cattle company, whose range lies about the Florida mountains, twenty miles from Deming. With his wife and little son he resided upon the ranch in a neat frame house. In a cottage close by lived Mr. and Mrs. Yeager, his neighbor. Yeager was one of the owners of the cattle outfit. Everything had gone on prosperously and pleasantly until a few weeks back, when a party of Apaches had been seen, and all promised well for the future.

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## CLAIRETTE SOAP.

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THE N. K. FAIRBANK COMPANY, St. Louis.

ALL FOR ALL.

Twelve thousand people are regularly employed in the London theaters.

Dried fish was formerly, and is still to some extent, a medium of exchange in Iceland.

Scientists declare that the water of the whole ocean contains in solution more than 2,000,000 tons of pure silver.

Free passes on Russian railways are now entirely abolished, even railway officials and employees being required to pay their fares.

More ducks are raised and consumed in China than in any other country in the world, some of the duck farms there producing as many as 50,000 in one year.

All hellions—Denn Hole says that the devil and cholera are the same thing, as the city could not prove its case.

Protections will continue, but nobody expects a conviction.

No tips needed.—An international exhibition is to be held during the summer at Amsterdam. One of its novelties will be an electric restaurant, where, by simply touching a button, any dish required by guests will rise and descend as desired, no waiters being visible.

The sheep were out.—The owner of a large menagerie, which includes a "happy family" consisting of a lion, a tiger, a wolf, and a sheep, was asked to show him in confinement how long the animals had lived together. "About nine months," he replied, "except the sheep, which I brought to the menagerie, if you are looking for a genuine lion's mane."

Early diamond diggers.—A prehistoric diamond mine is said to have been discovered near Winburg, in the Orange Free State. A nearly perpendicular shaft sinks 150 feet to workings from the bottom of which extend several hundred feet. Old-fashioned spears and barbed arrows, primitive tools, curiously inscribed stones, and skeletons of men of gigantic size, have been found, but there is no legend or tradition among the natives concerning the mine or the race who worked it.

Increase as they fall.—Raindrops always increase in size as they fall. This is because of the accumulation of moisture from the air through which they fall. And this being so, it is evident that the clouds from which they descend, as well as the rapidity of condensation, hence we find that the heaviest rain falls from the clouds which are the heaviest, while the fine, drizzling rains, mists and fogs are characteristic of cold fall days.

Colored by the tongs.—A curious custom prevails among Roumanian peasants. When a Roumanian girl is of a marriageable age, her mother and father, who are carefully veiled, and surrounded by her mother and herself, is placed in a painted box. When a young man wishes to marry her, he must first pay his attention to the girl, he is at liberty first to open the box, which is always placed conveniently near the entrance of the house. If he is satisfied with the quantity and quality of the dowry, he makes a formal application to the father, but if not, he is quite at liberty to retire.

Freshened up with paint.—It has been found necessary to take measures to prevent a stop to the collection of oboloi, the great market of Paris. Pots of red paint have been placed at the entrance of the market, and the vendors are required to paint their faces with it. The object of coloring the faces is to give them an appearance of freshness and vitality. It would not be surprising to hear that some very modern epicures like their lobster with its color enhanced by the use of red paint. Indeed, one of the high-wives who was accused of the practice said that her customers liked the painted fish best.

BRIEF ITEMS BY WIRE.

Denver, July 9.—Lawrence Farrell, the pugilist, convicted of highway robbery, has been sentenced to the penitentiary for two years.

Chicago, July 9.—The Bell, one of the largest retail clothing stores in the city, failed today. The entire stock was immediately purchased by a local department store.

St. Petersburg, July 9.—Fire has destroyed 20 houses in the town of Sambor, governing the province of Volhynia, and 20,000 persons are rendered homeless by the conflagration.

Pittsburg, July 9.—Daniel Werling, who shot and killed his wife on April 7, because she had him sent to the workhouse for drunkenness and was taken to the court house yesterday.

New York, July 9.—James McAvoy, of 340 East 12th street, was arrested today at his home on Saturday night, indicating a wound from the third avenue elevated train, which he had been riding on.

Yonkers, July 9.—(Special.) J. C. Cox, of this city, died in his shop between 4 and 5 o'clock this afternoon of heart failure. The entire stock was immediately purchased by a local department store.

Chicago, July 9.—(Special.) The Iowa State Insurance Company has voluntarily withdrawn from Kansas and will be more likely in the state after July 15. The company did a business of \$1,000,000 last year.

Guthrie, O. T., July 9.—(Special.) In the Tech family poisoning in Payne county last week, the cause was found to be arsenic. The family was taken to the hospital, and the arsenic was found in the water they drank. A colored man has been arrested charged with the crime.

West Plains, Mo., July 9.—(Special.) The Ramsey schoolhouse, near West Plains, Mo., was destroyed by fire last night. The building and contents were valued at \$10,000. The cause of the fire is being investigated.

St. Louis, Mo., July 9.—(Special.) The second fire in the same neighborhood in two weeks.

Will Jackson, president of the A. M. E. church of St. Louis, died yesterday of heart failure. He was 65 years of age and had been suffering from heart trouble for some time.

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